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that they can not afford approximately 85 million dollars for their own entertainment. I think that we are going to have to face the fact that this is not going to hurt racing. It is not going to hurt racing. It could very well help it and it certainly does deserve consideration and I respectfully suggest that the many things that Senator Burbach says are accomplished through

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racing are true. I appreciate those, and I think that we can expand and improve upon the sport in the state of Nebraska. Lets not say that the state can not justifiably extract an additional 1%. We are not going to do it every year. They the tracks went along for many years without any additional increase and I think that the tracks can easily afford this additional one percent. I have a track in my district and the people are unopposed to it, I'm not too concerned about that because in my research and the research I know that Senator Burbach, and Senator Epke and many other members of the Revenue Committee have conducted at the tracks, if you were to ask the better what percentage of the a...a...goes to the state of Nebraska, no one knows, no one knows. All they know is that if they bet two bucks that they usually loose their money anyway. The money that the man bets when he bets \$20 or \$30 for the sport does not expect a return on his investment if he does, he is a bigger fool than I expect him to be and I don't think that we have those kinds of fools in the state of Nebraska. I just want to close and say, lets cast a vote to place this bill on General File and give it a public hearing. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: This closes the debate on the motion to bring LB931 to General File notwithstanding the action of the committee. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. We are voting on Senator Schmit's motion to bring 931 to General File notwithstanding the committee action. It takes 25 votes to carry. Has everyone voted? SENATOR Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Lets have a call of the house, we only have we have 21 not voting, lets bring them in and let them vote. We ought to see them once or twice in the morning anyway.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit has asked for a call of the house. Do I see five hands? I do not see five hands. I see only 3 hands. Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. Speaker I blieve that you need only 5 hands to cease debate, is that correct? We don't need five hands for a call of the house.

PRESIDENT: Thank you for helping me out, I'm mixed up as usual. The motion is to go under call. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed no. The motion is to place the house under call. Has everyone voted? Motion carries, the house is under call. Will the Sergeant at Arms....pardon me, I misread the board. The motion fails to carry.

CLERK: 16 ayes, 16 nays to go under call.